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OUR JULY NUMBER

will be a special issue devoted to the D. P. A. Convention of which a full report will be given with cuts of prominent members. The current issue of ENERGY is small but necessarily so. Our time is taken up so much in getting ready for the **big issue** that this number had to be a small one. Forms for the **July Special** will close on July 15th. Have all copy in by that date. It will reach over 4000 readers!

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Stamp Notes.

By John P. Itz.

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The 8c carmine and slate of the 1874 issue of Norway also appears in the color of the 12c of this issue—mauve and slate. I have seen specimens of the 4c blue and slate and 8c carmine and slate the outside border of which appears to be (and probably is) in blue, instead of in slate, color.

The Ceylon 1861 issue, 1s. 6p. was never put in use. This stamp was probably printed by mistake, and the Post-office officials finding that there was no call for it ordered it to be withdrawn. Unused specimens are very scarce, and in fact the price for them is advancing every year.

The 1866 20 centavos of Spain color lilac was printed in place of the 1864 19c because the latter stamp was counterfeited.

GLEANINGS.

Garnered from the Philatelic Field.

The designs of the Buffalo stamps have been approved of and the following description will give a fair idea of what they will look like:—1c, a lake steamer; 2c, express train; 4c, automobile; 5c, Niagara Falls; 8c, canal locks at Sault Ste Marie, and the American flag will be depicted on the 10c. The first five will be in two colors and the 10c in three colors.

The English 1-2d stamp now appears in the U. P. U. green.

A new shilling stamp in two colors will very likely be issued by England next month.

The French Colony of Dahomey is to have an issue of stamps.

The British Colony of Northern Nigeria has issued postage stamps as has also Kishergarh, a native Indian State.

It is being noted that even the "real" Gt. Barrier stamps are fakes.

A neat booklet has reached us setting forth the good qualities of Mekeel's Weekly as an advertising medium.

The total number of copies printed of the recent Brazil centenary stamps was 400,000.

The INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIST of Wichita, Kansas has joined the silent majority.

A new philatelic weekly will appear from Berlin shortly.

It is rumored that a big effort is again to be made to wrest the A. P. A. organship from the ERA. That would be a sad mistake.

Our local contemporary the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE has issued a convention number of thirty-six pages.

The Philatelic Literature Society seems destined to progress after all; thanks to the new official organ.

The plentitude of new issues from Europe will please the boy collectors.

The May JUNIOR COLLECTOR is a fat little number of 20 pages and a credit to its progressive young publisher.

An ad this will interest all is that of the Canada Stamp Co. Look it up.

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By a recent ruling of Postmaster General Mubock philatelic publications in Canada are extended the privelege of publishing stamp cuts.

A French letter card for use in Morocco has been issued. Value 25c.

Iceland has issued a new 10 aur post card.

The native Indian State of Orcha has issued stamps as follows:--1 2 a red; 1 a violet, 2 annas ye low and 4 annas green.

Orange Free State stamps have been surcharged V R I for use in the Orange River Colony.

Sanctum Sayings.

Berlin has seen the rise and fall of a number of philatelic journals. The first stamp paper hailing from our good town was the PET PHILATELIST. It was a small 3 x 4 8 page and cover paper and lived four months, issuing from September to December 1895. The PHILATELIC ADVOCATE was established in September 1896 by Messrs Starnaman Bros. and F. I. Weaver. Starnaman Bros became sole owners one year later and are still successfully conducting the paper which is one of the leading philatelic journals in America. The Boy's Own Philatelist was established in Dec 1897, was conducted as a monthly for six numbers then changed to a weekly. The name was subsequently changed to the Canadian Philatelic Weekly. In all fourteen numbers of the weekly appeared. Then it was changed to the Canadian Philatelic Review and published fortnightly. After five issues under this, name the paper was discontinued. ENERGY, established in June 1899, took over the subscription list. ENERGY was then a variety monthly but since February has been devoted entirely to philately. Now we have the Philatelic Spectator, published by Geo E Mueller, which has issued eight numbers up to date.

The stamp books which we announced in our last number as being in preparation by the Postmaster General, have since been issued and are finding ready sale.

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